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MEMORANDUM

TO: Early Intervention Program Directors

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EI Specialty Providers

FROM: Ron Benham, Director Bureau of Family Health & Nutrition

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DATE: July 16, 2010

As outlined at the meeting to discuss programmatic changes to Early Intervention, July 16, 2010 the Department of Public Health will move forward with implementing changes to the EI Fee System that was included in the 24th Year Part C Application for federa I funding which was approved. Effective September 1, 2010 the following fee structure will be implemented.

Category	Annual Income	Current Fee	<u>Fee</u> <u>Effective</u> <u>9/1/2010</u>
<300%	\$0 - \$66,150	\$0	\$0
301-400%	\$66,151 - \$88,200	\$60	\$250
401-550%	\$88,201 - \$121,275	\$180	\$500
551-750%	\$121,276 - \$165,375	\$350	\$900
>750%	> \$165,375	\$500	\$1,500

Please note the "Annual Income" shown in the grid above is for a family of four and the fee amounts noted are an annual cost.

The Department will schedule a teleconference to discuss implementation of the new fee structure and share updated guidance documents which will include an Overview of the Fee System, Fee Brochure, and Early Intervention Services – Information about Fees (FAQ) as soon as possible.

Please see the attached <u>Explanation of the FY11 Shortfall</u> that was shared at the meeting. The Department apologizes for the audio difficulties for those individuals calling into the meeting.

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